

## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON THE DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN FOR SOIL CLEANUP SOUTH EUREKA MINE SUTTER CREEK



The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites your comments on the Draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for soil cleanup at the former South Eureka Mine, Ridge Road, in Sutter Creek California. DTSC developed the RAW under a voluntary cleanup agreement with the Jackson Associates Limited Liability Corporation.

The Draft RAW plans to move all the arsenic contaminated mine tailings from throughout the mine site and consolidate them in several low lying areas of the property. The Draft RAW also plans to cover all areas that contain mine tailings with building pads, parking lots or clean soil with landscaping. Afterwards, DTSC plans to place a deed restriction on the property that contains the mine tailings in order to control land use and assure the covers remain in place.

As required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC must evaluate the environmental effects from any proposed cleanup actions. DTSC proposes numerous controls and since all of the work is on-site, DTSC believes that the effects are minimal. Additionally, the Draft Workplan outlines dust and erosion control measures and air monitoring during the transfer of the mine tailings. Therefore, DTSC has determined that the cleanup qualifies for an Exemption (referred to as a Notice of Exemption) under CEQA.

If approved, TPDDG Jackson Associates Limited Liability Corporation plans to begin construction in January, 2007.

The public comment period begins December 1, 2006, and ends January 2, 2007. You may send all comments in writing to Ms. Tami Trearse, Project Manager, DTSC, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento California, 95826 or by e-mail to TTrearse@dtsc.ca.gov. Comments must be postmarked or delivered by January 2, 2007.

You may review the Draft RAW and the Notice of Exemption at the Sutter Creek Public Library, 35 Main Street, Sutter Creek, California 95685. These documents are also on our website, <a href="https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public">www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public</a>. You may also review all records contained in the full administrative record at the:

DTSC File Room 8800 Cal Center Drive Sacramento CA 95826

Please contact Ms. Bobbi Jensen at (916) 255-3779 to make the necessary arrangements.

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